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Memorandum For: Deputy Director of Personnel

Subject: Briefing Agency Oversight Committee in the
Congress Concerning Implementation of the Agency
Civilian Reserve Program

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Now that the Director has approved the implementation of an Agency Civilian Reserve Program, it strikes me that the Agency should take the initiative and inform our Congressional oversight committees. While we need neither their approval nor supplemental funding, we should, as a matter of professional courtesy and common sense, take the initiative in briefing them, rather than sitting back and waiting for one or more of the committees to find out about this action and ask, somewhat indignantly I suspect, what we are doing or have done on this issue.

I understand from [redacted] that her staff is still in the process of fleshing out all the administrative details and processes involved. Barabra is guessing that she and her people will need another four weeks or so in order to complete all required implementing staff work. Based upon this, I would suggest that we tentatively schedule briefings with selected employees of our oversight committees (SSCI and HPSCI) as well as our Senate and House Appropriation referents. My instinct is that we should inquire of the respective Staff Directors as to whether we should offer to brief committee members themselves, rather than proceeding on to do so unilaterally.

Please advise.

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